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To Whom It May Concern:

We are writting to strongly oppose the reopening of the Lost Horse quarry. We have grave concerns about the traffic problem, there are already major problems with people driving too fast and going through fences(which end up being repaired at owner expense.) Add in large dump trucks and the workers: running the equipment at the quarry and even if the road were improved, the there are going to be major conflicts and probably accidents.

People already drive way over the posted speed limit, add more traffic and big trucks coming and going and the possiblity of accidents and property damage, increases greatly, not to mention the conflicts with children getting on and off the school bus,(our daughter walks our grandchildren to the bus right now because of her concern over the traffic now). We also wonder how many animals both domestic and wild will be killed or injured.

We also wonder how much recreational use will be ruined by this proposal and how you will keep from contaminating Lost Horse Creek it's self, when you are planning to do this work at the time of year when we get most of our rain and snow. How are you going to keep the contamination out of the creek, from fuel spills,..etc and just the sediment which will likely get washed into the creek with the rain and snow? The creek is close enough to the quarry to have a lot of it end up there, not only is that going to effect habit for fish and wildlife, but it is the source of all our irrigation and stock water. How are you going to protect all of that?

Sincerely

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